

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the first paragraph on page 1 as follows:

It is possible to improve usability for a user ~~[[if]]~~ by enabling the user to print out digital image information, such as, static image data transmitted through a digital broadcastings, and static images extracted from television services, etc., ~~thereby~~ for storing and checking thereof. However, since some ~~of them~~ images are not allowed to be printed out by an author or an owner of the copyright of the images, or are limited by the number of printings, ~~therefore~~ it is necessary to control the printings thereof.

Please amend the second paragraph on page 1 as follows:

~~As~~ In a method for controlling the printing of digital image information transmitted through the digital broadcastings, etc., it is has been conceived to provide a printing permission flag, ~~newly, in~~ such as in European Patent EP 1 085 740 A2 (2001), in particular, on pages 3 to 5 and in Fig. 1 thereof, for example.

Please amend the second paragraph on page 2 as follows:

Though it is possible to ~~conduct the control on~~ the printings with certainty, with those matters disclosed in the conventional art mentioned above, ~~however~~ it is necessary to transmit new information. Also, for the purpose of protection of the copyright, etc., it is necessary to protect the information from being stolen or pulled out illegally, even when transmitting the digital image information to be printed out to a printer. However, with the conventional art mentioned above, nothing is taken into ~~[[the]]~~ consideration, in particular, about protection of the information when it is transmitted.

Please amend the third paragraph on page 2 as follows:

According to the present invention, by taking such the problem mentioned above into [[the]] consideration ~~thereof~~, it is an object to provide an apparatus and a method, enabling the control based upon printing permission, without using such new control information or protection method, and being able to protect the information.

Please amend the fourth paragraph on page 2 as follows:

For achieving ~~such~~ the object mentioned above, according to an aspect of the present invention, there is provided a receiving apparatus, for receiving digital information, thereby outputting it into a ~~printer, comprising: printer.~~ The receiving apparatus includes: a receiving circuit for receiving said digital information; an extractor circuit for extracting static image information from said digital information; a recording/reproducing circuit for recording therein the static image information extracted; and an output circuit for outputting the static image information reproduced from said recording/reproducing circuit, with ~~adding~~ copy control information ~~thereto, as~~ added thereto. The copy control information ~~being able to enables~~ control of printing of ~~said the~~ printer.

Also, according to an aspect of the present invention, there is provided a printer for printing digital information ~~inputted, comprising: inputted.~~ The printer includes: an input circuit for inputting ~~said the~~ digital information; a printer circuit for printing ~~said the~~ digital information inputted; and a control circuit for detecting copy control information added to ~~said the~~ digital information, thereby to perform printing in ~~said the~~ printer circuit depending upon the copy control information detected. ~~And, further,~~

Further, according to another aspect of the present invention, there is provided a printing control method, for controlling printing of digital ~~information, comprising~~ information. The method comprises the following steps of: detecting copy control information, which is added to said digital information; and controlling [[on]] whether ~~conducting~~ or not to conduct the printing of ~~said the~~ digital information depending upon ~~said the~~ copy control information detected.

Please amend the first full paragraph on page 6 as follows:

It is assumed that the first recording/reproducing apparatus 4 is of a type implementing a digital recording method, which is built in the receiving apparatus 3. As ~~such~~ a recording medium thereof, it is possible to ~~apply~~ use a hard disk, for example. Also, ~~such~~ a memory medium or the like may be applied thereto. The second recording/reproducing apparatus 6 is attached ~~in an~~ outside of the receiving apparatus 3. Other than the hard disk, the recording medium may be a medium, which can be detached or removed therefrom, such as, a magnetic tape, an optical disk, etc.

Please amend the second full paragraph on page 6 as follows:

Onto the information broadcasted is attached copy control information for controlling recording on the recording/reproducing apparatus. If the copy control information attached onto the information broadcasted is "Copy Free", the information can be recorded in the first recording/reproducing apparatus 4 or the second recording/reproducing apparatus 6, without ~~restriction, however~~ restriction. However, if it is "Copy Never" or "Copy One Generation", the recording of the information is limited, as will be mentioned later. Further, upon printing operation in the printer 7, if the copy control information is "Copy Free", it is possible to decide

that no protection is asserted thereon, such as the copyright, etc., thereby enabling printing [[it]] without ~~restriction~~, but restriction. However, if [[it]] copy control information is “Copy Never” or “Copy One Generation”, the printing ~~thereof~~ of the received information is restricted in ~~the similar~~ a manner similar to the recording.

Please amend the paragraph bridging pages 6 and 7 as follows:

In an example shown in Fig. 1, [[it]] the system comprises two (2) sets of the recording/reproducing apparatuses and one (1) ~~set of~~ printer, ~~however~~ however, it should not be restricted only thereto. Namely, the present invention can be applied, irrespective of a number of sets of the apparatuses and irrespective of being built-in ~~type~~ or attached ~~in an~~ outside ~~thereof~~. Also, the present invention should not be restricted only to the application into a system for recording/reproducing the information received or printing it. The present invention can be applied, of course, not only a case of reproducing package software recorded in advance, but also in a case of only receiving the information being on the air at present, thereby displaying it on the display 5, or also in a case where the information is recorded or printed in a PC (Personal Computer), etc.